

FACILITIES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS

Grant Grove Area

GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s.

INFORMATION

- **Kings Canyon Park Visitor Center (NPS):** Through 5/4, 9am -5pm; 5/5 - 6/14 8am - 5pm; then 8am - 6pm. Exhibits in English & Spanish; 15-minute movie (captioned). Books, maps, first aid. Local wilderness permits issued 9am until 1/2 hour before closing. 1-559-565-4307.

FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Daily through 5/24, 8am-2pm & 5-7pm (Friday & Saturday until 8pm). From Friday, 5/25 - 9/2, 7am-2pm & 5-9pm.
- **Gift Shop:** Daily through 5/24, 9am-7pm (Friday & Saturday until 8pm); from 5/25 - 9/2, 8am-9pm. Souvenirs, film, clothing. ATM in lobby.
- **Market:** Same hours as Gift Shop (above). Supplies, sandwiches, bear canisters, emergency gasoline.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** Details on page 10-11. Front desk 7am-10pm.
- **Showers (KCPS):** 11am - 4pm starting 5/3. Ask at registration desk.
- **Post Office:** Hours may change without notice. Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday 9am - 4:30pm. Saturday & Wednesday 10 - 11:45am. Lobby open 24 hours. Send mail for visitors to: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 1-559-335-2499.
- **Pay Telephones:** Available 24 hours at Kings Canyon Visitor Center (booth by front door); outside gift shop, market, & post office.
- **Picnicking & Horseback Riding:** See page 3 & the page 12 map.

In the Kings Canyon

Road open April 27-November 13, weather permitting.

CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River — “a rival to the Yosemite,” according to John Muir.

INFORMATION & CAMPING (NPS)

- **Visitor Center:** Opens 5/25 - 6/5 & 6/8 into September. Daily 9am-5pm. 559-565-3793.
- **Wilderness permits:** At Road's End, 6 miles (9.6 km) east of the village. Self-issue permits through 5/24, then 7am-3pm daily. No permits issued after 2:45pm.
- **Camping (NPS):** Details on page 11.

FOOD, LODGING, SHOPS, & OTHER SERVICES (KCPS)

Open Thursday, May 17 - Saturday, October 13.

- **Restaurant:** Counter-service meals & snack bar (not a full-service restaurant). From 5/17 - 6/7: weekdays 8-10:30am & 5-7pm; Saturday-Sunday 8am-2pm & 5-7pm. Starting 6/8, daily 7am-2pm & 5-9pm. Lunch supplies available at market.
- **Gift Shop & Market:** Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. 5/17-6/7: 8am-7pm. Starting 6/8, 7am-9pm.
- **Lodging:** Open 5/17 through 10/13 (last night). Page 10 has details.
- **Showers & Laundry:** Daily starting 5/17 (shower closed 1-3pm for cleaning). From 5/17 - 6/7: 8am-6pm. Starting 6/8, 7am-7pm. Last laundry load in by 1 hour before closing. Purchase shower tokens at market.
- **Picnicking & Horseback Riding:** See page 3 & the page 12 map.
- **Pay Telephones:** Outside visitor center & restaurant/market.

Join us! In spring, free ranger-led activities may take place on weekends. Extra programs are offered Memorial Day weekend, 5/25-27. Daily activities will be offered starting mid- to-late June. Check bulletin boards and visitor centers throughout these parks for schedules of these walks, talks, and evening programs.

NATURE PROGRAMS

CELEBRATE SEQUOIAS!

On September 8, join us for the 9th Annual Celebrate Sequoias Festival. Enjoy walks, music, crafts, and kid's activities at Princess Campground in Sequoia National Forest.

USFS: National Forest & Monument

HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on Parks and Forests). It was sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935. It is an excellent place to see recovery from intensive sequoia logging in the late 1800s.

PAY TELEPHONES

- **Between Wuksachi Village & Grant Grove:** Summer only at Stony Creek Resort & by Big Meadows trailhead across from guard station.
- **Between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove:** Hume Lake (year round); Kings Canyon Resort only from 4/27 - 11/13, when Hwy. 180 is open.

INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon Park entrance at Big Stump. Open weekdays 8am-4:30pm, 5/26, & the 1st Saturday of the month through September. Maps & books sold. 1-559-338-2251; www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 10 & 11 for details.
- **Picnic Areas & Horseback Riding:** See page 3 & the page-12 map.
- **Boyden Cavern:** On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Tours on the hour 11am-4pm through May then 10am-5pm. \$11 ages 14 & up; \$6 ages 3-13; under 3 free. AAA discounts. 209-736-2708.
- **Stony Creek Village (FS):** Opens 5/10. On the Generals Highway between Grant Grove and Lodgepole. Lodging. Through 6/7: restaurant 4-7pm, market 8am-7pm (both until 8pm Friday-Saturday), showers 9am-4pm. Starting 6/8: restaurant 11am-2pm & 4-8pm, market 7am-8pm (both until 9pm Friday-Saturday), showers 9am-6pm. Gasoline 24 hours with credit card. 1-866-KCANYON or 1-559-565-3909.
- **Montecito Lake Resort (formerly Montecito-Sequoia Lodge) (FS):** A permitted resort on public land open all year. On Generals Highway 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Breakfast 7:30-9am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 5:30- 7pm. Cabins, hotel, children's activities. 1-800-227-9900 or 559-565-3388.
- **Historic Guard Station at Big Meadows:** (FS) Details on page 10.
- **Boat/Bicycle Rentals, Swimming, Fishing:** Private facilities open to public at Hume Lake, 8 miles (13km) north of Grant Grove on Hwy 180 then 3 miles (5 km) south on Hume Lake Road. 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market weekdays 8am-12 & 1-5pm, weekends 8am-5pm (hours change mid- June). Snack bar. Boat rentals by late April. For details: 1-559-335-2000.

GASOLINE SALES

See page 5 *Rules of the Road - Gasoline* for hours of Hume Lake, Stony Creek, and Kings Canyon Lodge.

